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<b>AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER</b>			Docket No. 0229-0785P
Application No. 10/725,459-Conf. #4041	Filing Date December 3, 2003	Examiner D. R. Pretlow	Art Unit 2863

Applicant(s): Masaki SHIRAISHI

Invention: METHOD AND DEVICE FOR DETERMINING WHEEL FORCE

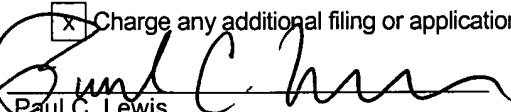
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**REPLY TO EX PARTE QUAYLE ACTION**

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**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

In response to the Examiner's *Ex Parte Quayle* Office Action dated November 25, 2005, the following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

**This reply includes:**

**Amendments to the Drawings; and**

**Remarks.**